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In re Patent Application of:  
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Art Unit: 2622

For: Solid-state image pickup apparatus with  
influence of shading reduced and a method of  
controlling the same

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Examiner: C. J. Quiett

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated December 7, 2007, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.